

who had committed highway robbery within the bounds of said county, was slain by said felons; and

WHEREAS, Vernie Towe, widow of said William E. Towe, deceased, and Vaughtie Lucille Towe, his minor child, filed a claim for compensation subsequent to the expiration of one year from the date of his death; and

Widow and minor child filed claim for compensation after expiration of year from his death.

WHEREAS, owing to her minority the claim of Vaughtie Lucille Towe, is in law deemed to have been filed in time, but that the claim of said Vernie Towe, widow of said William E. Towe, was not filed in apt time by said widow, due to her ignorance of the time limit for filing the same; and

Claim of minor deemed filed in time.

Claim of widow not filed in apt time.

WHEREAS, both said Vernie Towe, widow, and Vaughtie Lucille Towe, minor child, are entitled to compensation under the law by reason of the death of said William E. Towe at the hands of said felons: Now, therefore,

Both widow and child entitled to compensation.

*The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:*

SECTION 1. That said Vernie Towe be, and she is hereby, permitted to file her claim for said compensation with the North Carolina Industrial Commission at any time prior to the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and forty-three, and that upon her so doing and notifying the Board of County Commissioners of Yancey County, North Carolina, of her action, that said Industrial Commission shall proceed to set a date for the hearing of said claims of both said Vernie Towe, widow, and Vaughtie Lucille Towe, minor, and after due notice to the Board of County Commissioners of Yancey County and to the claimants, shall hear said matter and make such awards as the said Vernie Towe and said Vaughtie Lucille Towe would have been entitled to had their said claims for compensation been duly filed within one year from the date of the death of the said William E. Towe, and that said awards so made shall be binding upon said County of Yancey, the claimants and the North Carolina Industrial Commission in the same manner and effect as if said claim for compensation had been filed within one year from the date of the slaying of the said William E. Towe.

Widow permitted to file claim.

Time limit for filing.

Notice.

Industrial Commission to hear both claims.

Awards to be same as if claims filed in time.

Effect of awards.

SEC. 2. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

Conflicting laws repealed.

SEC. 3. That this Act shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its ratification.

Ratified this the 8th day of March, 1943.